

Progress is still happening out on the project, although admittedly right now the holes seem to be growing faster than they are being filled in. Last week, the contractor was able to start replacing water main between St Croix Street and Myrtle Street as well as continuing to run the conduit for lighting upgrades downtown and remove pavement in North Hudson in preparation for utility work this week. You may also see the crews installing poles today at South Street (in North Hudson), North Street, and Division Street. Those poles will eventually hold temporary traffic signal systems controlling traffic when the roadway is down to one lane later this summer.

Here's what the work is looking like coming up:

This week:

- Front Street to Coulee Road
 - Continue replacement of the sanitary sewer main line in front of the Wastewater Treatment Plant
 - Underground conduit work for traffic signal system upgrades at the 2nd Street/Coulee Road/Buckeye Street intersection
 - Uncertain as to when the temporary traffic signal system at 2nd Street & Coulee Road will be operational – waiting on Xcel Energy and another subcontractor to power and time the signal system
- Coulee Road to Vine Street
 - Addition of storm sewer at Locust Street intersection
 - Begin placing light pole bases on west side of street for new lighting system
 - Begin placement of new pedestrian ramps, beginning at Vine Street intersection and working southward
- Vine Street to Lake Mallalieu
 - No work on Vine Street to Myrtle Street or Division Street to Lake Mallalieu sections
 - Replacement of water mains and sanitary sewer mains continues between St Croix Street and Myrtle Street
- North Hudson
 - Utility work begins between Monroe Street and Michaelson Street on Tuesday 5/11

Next week:

- Front Street to Coulee Road
 - Continue sanitary sewer replacement near Wastewater Treatment Plant
 - Continue work for new traffic signal system
- Coulee Road to Vine Street
 - Continue placement of new light pole bases
 - Continue replacement of pedestrian ramps on west side of the road
- Vine Street to Lake Mallalieu
 - Finish utility mains on section between Myrtle Street and St Croix Street
 - Perform pressure and bacteria tests of water main between Myrtle Street and St Croix Street
 - Begin utility mains between St Croix Street and Division Street or water/sewer services between Myrtle Street and St Croix Street
- North Hudson
 - Continue utility main work between Monroe Street and Michaelson Street

Future:

- Front Street to Coulee Road
 - Finish sanitary sewer replacement near Wastewater Treatment Plant week of 5/24
 - Begin work on pavement replacement and repairs week of 5/24
- Coulee Road to Vine Street
 - Continue replacement of pedestrian ramps and light pole bases until finished on west side, then moving to east side
 - Repaving work downtown timeline to be determined
- Vine Street to Lake Mallalieu
 - Finish water/sanitary services between Myrtle Street and St Croix Street and water/sanitary sewer mains between St Croix Street and Division Street – approx. week of 5/24 or 5/31
 - Water/sanitary sewer services between St Croix Street and Division Street – early June
 - Storm sewer between Myrtle Street and St Croix Street – early June
 - Grading, curb & gutter, driveways, and sidewalks between Myrtle Street and St Croix Street – mid June
 - Work between Orange Street and Myrtle Street to begin approx. mid June
 - Work between Vine Street and Orange Street start date still to be determined – likely at least late June
 - Work between Division Street and Lake Mallalieu start date still to be determined – likely at least July

Schedule dependent on weather and site conditions. Schedule is less certain the further away you get from today's date!

Speaking of unforeseen site conditions, the crew working between Myrtle Street and St Croix Street has been slowed down due to encountering bedrock higher than expected. They are still making progress, but it's going slower than anticipated. If you live in that section, you may hear some louder noises than usual in order to get through that layer of rock.

Those of you living between Vine Street and the railroad bridge should have received a letter regarding alternate arrangements for garbage and recycling while the road is being worked on in front of your home. Please see the details in the letter for more information. If the road is not being worked on in front of your home, your garbage and recycling pickup have not changed at this time. Properties with alley garbage and recycling pickup will continue to be served in the alleys during the project (no change to the normal operations).

We are continuing to monitor traffic movements through the 1st Street neighborhood and along 3rd Street. We are continuing to work with WisDOT to get additional signing along 3rd Street to keep trucks off of the neighborhood streets and to get additional signing on 1st Street to keep traffic from getting stuck and having to turn around. WisDOT did make some adjustments to signing along Interstate 94 last week that has made the "No Through Traffic" message clearer, so we hope that the combination of that message and construction beginning in North Hudson will reduce the amount of traffic on the local access route.

We are also working with WisDOT and the contractor to upgrade the temporary pedestrian accommodations along 2nd Street in the downtown area. We are working on getting some additional

ramps installed, particularly on the Locust-Vine block as well as some better crosswalk visibility and pedestrian fencing for separation from traffic.